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Sir:

COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO APRIL 15, 1997 OFFICE ACTION, SECOND COMMUNICATION REQUESTING A CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT AND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

This Communication is submitted in response to the Office Action issued April 15, 1997 by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the April 15, 1997 Office Action is due May 15, 1997. Accordingly, this Communication is being timely filed.

REMARKS

Claims 44, 46-56 are pending and under examination in the subject application.

The Examiner stated that the Communication filed on December 10, 1996 is non-responsive to the prior Office action because applicants' response does not respond to the obvious-type double patenting of copending applications 08/475,784 and 08/477,097 as set forth in the prior Office Action. The Examiner stated that since the response appears to be bona fide, but through an apparent oversight or inadvertence failed to provide a complete response, applicants are required to complete the response within a time limit of one month from the date of this letter or within the time remaining in the response period of the last office action, whichever is longer. The Examiner stated that no